The U. S. steam transport, Fulton, Capt. Waken, arrived at this port last evening from Port Royal Dec. 22, and Stone Inlet the same day at 5 p. m. the brings no news, the situation remaining about the me as by last advices. We are indebted to Purser Thes. McManus for favors.

Singular Proceeding in Front of Charles ton Execution of a Descrier The Wee-

he can have a hard in putting down h-place. Besides, he would escape the

marches and the cold weather, give your readers a true idea of the character of itelent Provest Marshal General, I will state that am person in New York, wrote him for a recom-ation. Here is the answer. It will apply to simi-

The Rebellion as it is Illustrated by the Contests of Southern Newspapers-The Union Refugees-Profound Ignorance f the "Poor White Trash" of the outh-Colored Regiments Befuse their Pay.

BEAUTORT, S. C., Dec. 17, 1863. copies of The Charleston Mercury have the been lent me for examination and comment. The Mer-R. B. Rhett, jr.," at 10 cents er is worth about he in specie-that is if it be not you as absolutely without value. The proprietor gives notice fory that, after Jan. 1, 1863, the price of his paper will be "\$15 for six months for the dull, and \$8 for six months tri-weekly." For the advance price, he alleges the increase in all the elements of expense in newspaper

These are to be sold at cost—Siv per pair for cotton and Si per pair for woolen cards—"charges added." They are to be sold "only to families actually engaged in subming." Obstrary notices of several men, killed in Fort Sumter during the late hombardment, are given at length.

for a bond i nocessarily returd the operation; \$63 to \$40 per bushed is quoted as the prevailing price of said, with an upward tendency.

Payments of dividends by "blockade stocka" is an anomed as a "new feature."

The Charleston Importing and Exporting Company, H. Cobia, Prevaident, is suited to have paid a dividend of \$600 per ahare. "The Spreators of the stamphilip Pot have declared a dividend of \$E12 sterling." or \$600 in Confederate notes. The Chair Chicora Company and "Consolidated Company" have each "in contemplation" the payment of a handward dividend.

The editor of The Mercury urges planters to "enlarge the grain crop; sow wheat, barley, tre, oats; save pees, between and pumpkins, make clothing for themselves, that families, and heprings, and solve the suite of the season of the Mercury before me is brought up in the rear by the following anodote:

"As enrarged perent had jerked his provoking son across his knee, and was operating on the exposed putton of the urchin's person, with great vehenence, when the young one dug into the parental leg with his weemons little teeth. Blazes i what are you bitting no for i" Well, who beginned this war."

Under the head of "How Brough Was Elected in Ohio," an extract from a soldier's leiter written to The Rayne County (Ohio) Democratis quoted in The Carles for their votes by their officers, and on allowed to to for their votes by their officers, and on allowed to the formation of the poll would affect the general family of the poll would affect the general control of the poll would affect the general control of the section.

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## SIEGE OF CHARLESTON. NEW-WOLK STEEL CRIBITIES.



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my belief, but it is grounded on more than fears.

being shed on both sides for our country."

FROM THE SAME TO ANOTHER.

God grant we may all meet in that spirit world where we shall

PROM A SISTER IN AUGUSTA TO HER BROTHER IN

LITCHPIELD, CONN.

at a little distance they look like raw silk. Then lit is making our young people practical and useful. My daughter is now

but young people pre-tion and make boardful bounets and knitting socks for her younges brothers, and our ladies plait the stray of the native painetto, and make boardful bounets and hats. The most we miss from the blockade is hoops and stock-ings for ladies, and needles and thread (spool) are hard to get.

We were surprised to hear that in Washington City it was dif-ficult now to find the ordinary necessaries of life, so our friends there write us; so I suppose the Northern people, in a measure,

FROM ARKANSAS. The First Praits of the Amnesty Proces Inmation-Surrender of Rebel Indian Leaders-Anxiety Concerning a Large

FORT SMITH, Ark., Thursday, Dec. 24, 1863. The Choctaw Chieftain McCurtain, with other Rebel Indian leaders, came into our lines to-day and surrendered themselves to Gen. McNeil. They have abandoned the Rebel alliance, and profess a desire to avail themselves of the President's Amnesty Proc

amation. Their example will have a powerful influence

Apprehensions are felt for the safety of an immens

the presence of Stanwaits and Quantrell in that di-

supply train on the way from Fort Scott, on account of

Supply Train.

over the Rebel tribes.

ope [that the Revolution will not continue

May God, in his infinite mercy, send relief to us

late on the necessities of the Government, but to bring the metals to him, and get their price.

A. Padigon offers for sale at "\$50 per dozen, or \$8 per pair, wooden shoes, without straps,"

Wilkes Morris advertises as for sale by anction, at Wilkington, N. C., the eargoes of steamers Spunker. Banshee, Gen. Beauregard, and Pet. The catalogue comprises dry goods, bats, leather, stationery, groceries and drugs. They also announce similar cargoes by another of sale the cargoes of steamers Don and Hansa, comprising sheetings, shirtings, prints, gling-hams, linea goods, handkerchiefs, towels, woodens had company, and book-binding materials.

UNION REFUGEDS.

bawken—The Remburdment of Charleston—Officers and Men Gone Home to Recruit—Answer to a Request for a Recommendation.

From Special Correspondent.

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From the 15th of this month a singular event
beginned in front of Charleston. One of their genboats, with colors flying, came down the Cooper River.

When opposite the city she fired a salute of eight gans, baded some of her passengers on the dock, and then proceeded up the Ashley River. Your correspondent had a very fine view of her from Fort Strong. She seemed to be about the size of one of your ferry boats, and about the same shape. She paffed and smoked anough to have thrown a lover of fine vessels in a goot, said by the "knowing ones" to be very heavily coated with iron, but I should ludge that was not so as she sat very high out of water, and seemed to be making twelve one out as a substitute. I shall sparse your readers an account, also his family, by now it should not have thrown a lover of family by now as the star of the control of the same had the same shape. She paffed and smoked anough to have thrown a lover of fine vessels in agony. On heat Thursday a military execution took place on On last Thursday a military execution took place on On last Thursday a military execution took place on On last Thursday a military execution took place to the proposed of the same had the control of the same had the same shape. Soo in greenback, on the same had the control of the same had the provision had the same than the same shape. Soo in greenback, on the same had the same shape that the same shape that the same shape that was not seen the same had the provision had the same that the same had the provision had the same than the s

tain), sent to the hotel in that place a family of young children, for whom no provision could odicially be made, in order to meet the pressure exigency of their immediate wants. He cheerfully paid the board-bill of these little refugees from his private means. In two other cases, a hady received into her bonne destitute families of refugees, and gave them a share of her home. The children of these families are even yet with her, receiving, from herself and daughters, clothing, food, education, and shelter. This good woman's name should be known and remembered wherever noble hearits misate a stmath-tically to dead. daughters, clothing, food, education, and shelter. This good woman's name should be known and remembered wherever noble hearts pulsate sympathetically to deeds of true humanity and loving kindness. She is Mrs. Elizabeth B. Hale formerly of floaton, Mass. In her vocation as keeper of a private hospital for officers, she is highly spoken of by the medical authorities of Beauciert. In her ministration of mercy she is ably seconded by Provost Marshal Major (till lately Captain) Walrath, 115th Volunteers. In the event of any well-disposed persons in the loyal States or elsewhere wishing to second the efforts of Major Walrath to aid poor white refugees arriving here, plundered and descate contributions of money, clothing suitable for women and children, and books of elementary instruction, may be addressed to him, and forwarded through the Adams Express or the Sanitary Commission.

PROFOUNDIGNORANCE OF THE "FOOR WHITE TRASH" IN THE SOUTH.

PROFOUND IGNORANCE OF THE "POOR WRITTE TRASH"

Capt. Randolph of the 3d (colored) South Carolina
Volunteers relates a characteristic story of a prisoner
of wer, exemplifying the sublime ignorance in which
the poor, non-slaveholding whites of the South are
steeped.

Last February, when the United States troops panetrated to Jacksorville, Fin., some "Confederate"
soldiers were captured. A motley crew they were
whose pleturesque variety of raggedness here here and
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It had the December:

"Small-pox and typhoid fever are raging among the

Yankee prisoners at Danville."

In the Legisture of South Carolina the second rending had been given to not successful to the constitution of Stoper month, subject to a dedeciming companies, entitled "The Chicera Importing
and Experting Company of South Carolina," and the
"Consolidated Stemmship Company of Charleston."

The charter of the "Carolina Wooden Factory" was in
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eral commanding the Army of the Potomac by Briga-dier-General M. R. Patrick, the Provost-Marshal Gento Him, I will not remain to witness the last miseries of this dear country. My all is gone, and I am willing to begin again. eral, upon whom devolves a strict responsibility for the introduction of contraband goods; but for reasons not necessary to give, was then and subsequently ignored The present Commander of the Army, after giving the ers with whom Gen. Butler is to test the disposition of subject full consideration, has given the order his full the insurgent authorities to resume exchanges, man for FROM A GENTLEMAN IN SAVANNAR TO A PRIEND IN sanction, which has been approved by the War Department. uch longer, for I feel like one in prison, and I am getting old

From Our Special Correspondent.

soon, and show us a way of escape. Savannah is dull-very HEADQUARTERS 3D DIVISION, 57H CORPS. ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, NEAR BRANDT STATION, Va., Dec. 22, 1863. ALL QUIFT ALONG THE BAPPAHANNOCK TO-NIGHT common to fair, butter \$5 per pound, meat \$1 per pound, makeys \$20 per pair, broadcloth coat and pantaloons \$500. Quietness and order reign throughout the entire army, not an interesting incident occurring to My sons indulge now and then in boots at \$130, but I cannot. furnish repacious newspaper correspondents with sufficient meterial for an ordinary item. All is quiet along the banks of the turbid Rappahannock, and no prespect this Christian age. We must wait patiently for the end; but of any disquietude, beyond a few false alarms of Guerrilla raide.

A SURPRISE PERSENTATION.

On Saturday evening last, Lieut, Col. Franklin P. Harlow of the 7th Massachusetts Regiment, was the Harlow of the 7th Massachusetts Regiment, was the affive. Savannah sets more and more gloomy every day, and I do really fear real starvation and soffering in staty or ninety days. Everything appears to be conducing against us—universal distract is beginning to prevail; little did I anticipate so long continuance of the struggle."

PROM A DAUGHTER IN SOUTH CAROLINA TO BER MOTHER IN CANADA.

"Ah, mother! you little know what sad sights I wieness daily in consequence of this cruel war; not a family here but is suffering the very depths of bitterness, save the Adger family; they have not yet been called upon to bury their nearest and destrest in this terrible strife. Pray that peace may once more dawn upon this once beautiful land."

FROM A LADY IN GEORGIA TO HER BEOTHER IN CALIFORNIA.

"Our poor country Is in a sad state of anarchy and confusion, distress and apprehension are in every family, and we sai slight for the good old times when law and order and good will prevaled."

PROM A SISTER IN AUGUSTA TO HER BEOTHER IN NEW-YORK.

"There seems new little hope of difficulties being settled for many years, which is most lamountable, and being only a woman, I think it right and proper for me to cross the ocean. Good grant we may all meet in that spirit world where we shall find a better land." happy recipient of a splendid sword, sash and belt, the morning's mails have not yet arrived.

ERELAND.

"Colden Ketchum has grown to be a good boy, he is new in the army—was drill imaster of a betailion for a short time, the still imaster of a betailion for a short time, the still imaster of a betailion for a short time, the still imaster of a betailion for a short time, the still imast formed principally of elderly men."

FROM A LADY AT BARHAMVILLE, NEAR COLUMBIA, S. C., TO HER COURIN IN NEW-YORK.

"Our life here is inexpressibly dreary and monotonous. If it were possible to return to Charleston we would do so; but even there all is so changed, our friends are so dispersed, it would be very said for us. I wish very much to go North. These long Autumn evenings recall to us the happy days of the wounded from the field under so grading and humane office. If the processing with gradingly the processing with gradingly the processing and their results for the processing with similar wounds received on that gory field, lique with gradingly the hands of the obagrined and their results for the hands of the obagrined what not."

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beautiful and comical are blended, and often
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effects or rules of architecture. It is not my
to attempt to enter into a minute description
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to save each table stool and bedetcad indicate
transport of the present time is excelto fillowing:

"Capt. Stringleman of the new steaming Sentinel,
which left this port for New York last mouth, returned
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residents of Bermuda, but preferred taking the overland route from From Picton. They soon after retired and route from From Picton. They soon after retired and route from From Picton. They soon after retired and route from From Picton. They soon after retired and route from From Picton. They soon after retired and route from From Picton. They soon after retired at the probabilities of the Russian Flect—List of Vessels Passing in Blampton Rouds.

FORTHESS MONDO, Friday, Dec. 25, 1863.

Maj. Gen. Builler returned this morning from Point Lookout, where he has made a thorough inspection of the prisons and hospitals. He also examined into the probabilities of a revolt among the Rebel prisoners, and took important testimony in regard to rations and the condition of Rebel subjects there, which testimony was satisfactorily correct.

The schoener C. M. Neale, ashore on Ship Sheals, is loaded with coal for Fortress Monroe, Another schooner to the resident of the Cape.

The Russian float arrived in Hampton Roads at noon to-day, and schotcal for Fortress Monroe, Another schooner to the relation. They shall be subjects there with the condition of the Picton and the Cape of the world, your importal Majesty has been dead with coal for Fortress Monroe, Another schooner to the relations with the condition of Rebel subjects there, which testimony was satisfactorily correct.

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The schoener New-York left for City Point to-day with 500 prisoners for exchange.

The schoener for

our resources and awaking our energies, and making us more the salute, independent. Our factories make such pretty homespun that. The steat

Schr. Mary Greenwood, Capt. Rich, from Yorktown to New-York.
Schr. Twilight, Capt. Malvern, from Baltimore to Portland.
Schr. William Henry, Capt. Sherry, from Tanglers to New-York.
Schr. Sears Watta, Capt. Tellis, from Tryconice to New-York.
Schr. J. Breckmore, Capt. Drake, from Tryconice to New-York.
Schr. J. Breckmore, Capt. Pharo, from Nantucket to New-York.
Schr. P. Cook, Capt. Jones, from Accomme to New-York.
Schr. Mohogan, Capt. Leary, from Baltimore to Fall River.
Schr. B. S. Miller, Capt. Freeman, from New-York to Mashington.
Schr. B. G. Hart, Capt. Leary, from New-York to Alexandria.
Schr. E. G. Hart, Capt. Lowe, from New-York to Alexandria.
Schr. B. R. Allen, Capt. Chapman, from Beaufort to New-York.
Schr. D. Ferris, Capt. Bartlett, from New-York to New-York.
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York.

Schr. Eagle, Capt. Brewer, from Newbern to Philadelphis.

Schr. A. H. Partridge, Capt. Rose, from New-York to Pocomoke.

Rohr. C. W. Holmes, Capt. Bucklow, from Newbern to Philadelphia.

Schr. E. G. Johnson, Capt. Lockwood, from New-York to Port Royal. Schr. D. A. Thompson, Capt Downs, from New-York to THE PROPOSED EUROPEAN CONGRESS. Nashington, Schr. Pierce Harrington, Capt. Fritz, from Newbern t Philadelphos.
Schr. T. B. Brown, Capt. Errison, from Newbern to New York. Schr. Kate Stewart, Cept. King, from Newborn to New-

PRICE THREE CENTS.

The prize schooner Ella of Nassau, captured by the James Adger, arrived here to-day,

FROM WASHINGTON

Special Disputch to The N. Y. Tribune. WASHINGTON, Friday, Dec. 25, 1863.

THE EXCHANGE OF PRISONERS. The flag-of-truce boat was to leave Point Lookout to-night for City Point with the Rebel prisoners with whom Gen. Butler is to test the disposition of

CRRISTMAS DINNERS FOR THE SOLDIERS. Our soldiers in the hospitals here were pro vided with good Christmas dinners to-day. The Secre tary of War and Senator Wilson, the Hon. A. W. Clark of New-York, and other notables, were present during the dinner at Stanton Hospital, which is under the charge of Dr. Lidell of New-York. The dining-room was handsomely decorated with evergreens, and upon spread. Senator Sumner was a guest at the Line Hospital. The bill of fare at that hospital, which was printed, abounded with Christmas luxuries. DETENTION OF MAILS.

Last evening's New-York mails, due here a 6 o'clock this morning, arrived after dark to-night. This

Rebel Sympathy at Halifax.

The United States gunboat Acacia, Capt. hild arrived at this port last evening about 6 oclock, om Halifax, which place she left on Monday evening st. We learn by this arrival, not from the officers,

command there, is thoroughly disgusted with the course of the municipal authorities.

Upon the whole, says our informant—a gentleman who knows what he is talking about and is perfectly trust worthy—"the affair has waked up the Government, and they would give one Chesapeake if the whole thing, prisoners and all, were on their way to Xankeedom."

We are informed that warrants are out for the arrest of eight of the pirates, but it is doubtful if snything will be done. The Halifax papers talk fair and smoothly, but evidently their words do not represent the general feeling of the people.

lebel Piracy-Attempt to Seize a

Detroit Steamer. The Detroit Tribune of Monday publishes the

modations for passengers, but this seemed only to ren-der them still more importunate. They assured Capt.

der them still more importunate. They assured Conj. S. that they were accustomed to rough usage, and could sleep as well in the fire-hold as upon the most down; couch, and, as an extra inducement, three out significant hints about some choice packages of fluids which they would bring about provided they could be accommendated.

"As the men thus anxious to accept quarters in the fire-hold were all well dressed, and most of them were kid gioves, a samptions of their real design flushed upon the mind of 'apt. S., and he inquired if the cold, norther on their surface which they were in was not rather severe on their surface as the rather severe—that they were not seen seemed to discover them, and after a pane one of them replied that the claimate was fraiher severe—that they were residents of Bermuda, but preferred taking the overland route home from Picton. They soon after retired sullening from the boot, and were not seen again.

"The crew of the Sentinel consisted of ten men, but that number unarmed would have stood but a sort of the first them boot, and were not seen again.

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From San Francisco. San Francisco, Thursday, Dec. 24, 1863.
Arrived, ships Zouave and Queen of the East, from New York.
C. O. Gebreding, one of the founders of The Bulletin newspaper, died to-day.

INTERESTING FROM EUROPE

UNION AND CONFEDERATE CRUISERS.

Alleged Rebel Steamers in the Clyde.

Replies of the Emperor of Austria, and the Kings of Italy, Prussia, Holland and Belgium to Napoleon.

THE STANDING ARMIES OF EUROPE.

The War Excitement in Germany.

Resolutions of the German Federal Diet.

Holstein to be Immediately Occupied by Federal Troops.

The mails of the Asia, from Liverpool Dec. 11, via Queenstown Dec. 12, arrived here yesterday. A summary of her news has been published before. foreign files brought by her are two days later.

A letter from Queenstown in The Dublis Daily Express gives details of the landing of men there from the Union corvette Kearsarge, the same that she had taken on board early in November. She remained nine days at Brest, and it is supposed she has returned to give back the recruits, in consequence of the pressure put upon the Union Government by Lord Russell, On Monday, a pilot-boat, when off the harbor, was signalled to come alongside by the Kearsarge, and sixteen men, all belonging to the neighborhood with one exception, were put on board.

The moment the men landed they were taken to the Custom House and examined. The men, who were not very communicative in their answers, said that no reason was given by Capt. Warslow for putting them ashore, but that he said he was very sorry to part with them. Their haversacks, with which they were pro-

that she was expected to put to sea in a few days. The Rappabannock is also in a satisfactory state, her repairs being almost completed, and a few weeks, it is expected, will see the whole three again at large."

ALLEGED CONFEDERATE STEAMERS IN THE CLYDE.

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We understand that the Collector of Customs at Glasgow has, by direction of the Lord Advocate, seized the Pampero, alleged to have been built for the Confederates. In the columns of an Edinburgh newspaper of Wednesday the following statement was made:

It was reported that Government had seized two steamers at present building at Greenock, and similar to the Pampero at Glasgow." We learn, however, that the statement is incorrect, Government having lately made full inquiries as to the character of the vessels on the stocks in Greenock, and were satisfied that no illegitimate class of vessel was in course of construction here.

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THE PROPOSED EUROPEAN CONGRESS.
following letter has been addressed to the EmNapoleon by the King of the Belgians, in reply to

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"Monsieur mon Prire: The courieous and cordial letter which your Majesty has addressed to me, under the date of the 6th of November, has for object to unite the Powers of